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Mr. E. S. Riggs, Assistant Curator of Paleontology, Field Columbian Museum.

April 22—'Animal Messmates and Parasites,' Professor H. M. Kelly, Cornell College, Mount Vernon, Iowa.

April 29—'Aboriginal Methods of Manufacturing Weapons and Implements,' Professor George L. Collie, Beloit College, Wisconsin.

UNIVERSITY AND EDUCATIONAL NEWS.

MR. W. F. R. WELDEN, F.R.S., professor of zoology of University College, London, has been elected Linacre professor of comparative anatomy at Oxford, in succession to Professor Ray Lankester. Professor Welden, Professor Love, whose appointment to the Sedleian chair of natural philosophy we announced last week, and Mr. Stout, recently appointed to the Wilde lectureship of mental philosophy, were all Fellows of St. Johns College, Cambridge.

THE following promotions have been made at Princeton University: Assistant Professor Herbert S. S. Smith to be professor of applied mechanics in the School of Science; Assistant Professor Walter Butler Harris to be professor of geodesy in the School of Science, and Instructor Ulric Dahlgren to be assistant professor of histology in the academic department.

E. L. THORNDIKE, PH.D. (Columbia), instructor in Western Reserve University, has been appointed instructor in genetic psychology in Teachers College, Columbia University.

THE Isaac Newton Scholarship of Cambridge University for the encouragement of study and research in astronomy has been awarded to Mr. G. W. Walker, B. A. Scholar of Trinity College. The scholarship is of the annual value of £200, and is tenable for three years.

MISS CAROLINE HAZARD, of Peacedale, R. I., has been elected President of Wellesley College.

PROFESSOR SNELLEN will retire at the close of the present semester from the chair of ophthalmology at the University of Utrecht.

At a recent meeting of the Council of New York University Chancellor MacCracken reported that endowments amounting to nearly \$50,000 had been received, of which \$20,000

will be devoted to the School of Applied Science.

A CHAIR of English Literature has been endowed in Princeton University with \$100,000, on condition that the Rev. Dr. Henry Van Dyke, of New York City, be the first incumbent. Princeton University has also received \$65,000 for the academic department.

THE German-American citizens of New York are collecting a fund of \$20,000 in honor of Mr. Carl Schurz, whose seventieth birthday was recently celebrated. The money will be used to endow a fellowship and a Library of Germanic Literature in Columbia University.

THE following further gifts have been made during the week to educational institutions: \$50,000 to the Catholic University by the National Council, Knights of Columbus, to establish a chair for historical research; \$20,000 to Hobart College for the foundation of scholarships by Miss Catherine L. Tuttle; \$10,000 to University of Virginia for books on the history of Virginia, and \$5,000 from various donors to Syracuse University.

AT congregation at Cambridge University on March 2d the report of the General Board of Studies recommending the establishment of a department of agriculture in the University under the direction of a professor was approved. The offers made to the University by Sir Walter Gilbey, the Board of Agriculture, certain county and borough councils and the Drapers' Company were gratefully accepted.

THE plans for the Cornell Medical School, New York City, have been filed. The entire frontage on First avenue, between Twenty-seventh and Twenty-eighth streets, is to be occupied by the building, which will cost \$500,000.

Erratum: In the abstract (p. 312 above) of Professor Wm. A. Locy's paper before the American Morphological Society, 'New Facts Regarding the Development of the Olfactory Nerve,' the first sentence should read: 'The early embryonic history of the olfactory nerve is very imperfectly known,' instead of 'is known,' and the closing sentence should read: 'It was also shown to persist in the adult,' instead of 'to perish in the adult.' Credit should also be given to the Elizabeth Thompson Science Fund for providing the material upon which the research was conducted.